

# RECORD LIGHT SENATE VOTE

## Texas University Faculty Member Is Missing From Home

**Hermann Joseph Muller Is Reported to Have Disappeared**

**LEFT HOME SUNDAY**  
National Award Winner  
a Mysteriously Missing  
at Austin

AUSTIN, Texas.—(AP)—Dr. H. Y. Benedict, president of the University of Texas, revealed Monday night that a search was being made for Dr. Hermann Joseph Muller, Ph. D., associate professor of zoology at the university and winner of the American Association for the Advancement of Science prize a few years ago, who disappeared from his home Sunday.

Dr. Benedict said that Mrs. Muller and two professors of zoology apprised him late Sunday and Dr. Muller's disappearance. He said he advised them to report the matter to officers.

Dr. Benedict stated that Mrs. Muller said her husband had casually left home after eating his breakfast. Mrs. Muller refused to discuss the case when questioned by newspaper reporters. She hung up the telephone receiver and at her home would not see anyone.

Police and the sheriff's department have been asked to aid in the search. An appeal will be broadcast by radio.

William McGill, connected with the office of student publications at the university, said Dr. Muller had appeared in a highly nervous and depressed state for several days, brought about by over work in his laboratory. He had been a professor in the zoology department at the university since 1911. He was 41 years old.

Dr. Muller turned his laboratory in at the university at 10:30 a. m. Monday morning. He had been working on a study of the inheritance of the fruit fly drosophila. It was for this work that he won the A. A. S. award in 1928. He worked on an analysis of arrangement and method of recombination of hereditary units, and attempted an explanation of the so-called mutations in the evening primrose, extending his studies on mutation and evolution, on artificial transmutation of the gene by X-rays and production of chromosome changes.

Searching parties were being organized to search through the entire countryside Monday night and Tuesday. Numerous officers of automobiles to be used in the search were being received.

Dr. Muller was described as being five feet, two inches tall and weighing 125 pounds.

He is partially bald with light brown hair.

When he left home he was wearing a blue serge suit, a light felt hat and no overcoat.

## Bids On Federal Building Opened

**Gary (Ind.) Firm Submits Lowest Estimate for Texarkana Project**

WASHINGTON.—The Larga Construction Company of Gary, Ind., Monday submitted the low bid on the general contract for the Texarkana federal building. The bid was \$504,500, using Batesville. Carthage or similar marble, and \$494,800 using light gray or buff limestone.

The Westinghouse Electrical Elevator Company of Chicago submitted the low bid on installation of elevators, its bid being \$25,923.

Twenty-two firms, including three from Little Rock, offered bids for the general contract. Gordon Walker bid \$374,777 and \$355,777 and McGregor and Fickett bid \$607,600 and \$570,000. William Peterson telegraphed the Treasury Department notifying a bid he presumably had mailed, but up to 3 p. m. his bid had not been received. Whether it will be counted depends on the outcome of a treasury conference to be held at 2 p. m. Tuesday. If it is ascertained that the bid was mailed in time to reach Washington Tuesday, but was delayed in the mails, the bid will be counted.

## Evergreen Leaves Cause Death of Cows

RICHMOND, Ark.—J. F. DeLong recently had two cows to die mysteriously during the night, the animals appearing to be well at the time of milking.

Investigation brought out the fact that the cows had eaten some evergreen leaves that had been brought to the pasture for dinner. Two other cows that became ill were treated for poisoning and have recovered.

## Bulletins

WASHINGTON.—Impeachment charges against Secretary Mellon, brought by Representative Patman of Texas, will be given a public hearing before the House Judiciary Committee Wednesday, it was decided Tuesday.

MAGNOLIA, S. C.—(AP)—The Bank of Magnolia was robbed by three men of \$50,000 Tuesday.

## Japs Get Worst of It in Battle

**Reinforcements Rushed Into Chini District Following Reverses**

By the Associated Press

Severe fighting is going on Tuesday between a Japanese detachment and Chinese irregulars near Chini, southwest of Chingchow, in Manchuria.

The city of Chini is burning, Rengo dispatches to Tokyo said.

Reinforcements are being sent to drive off the Chinese.

The Chinese forces were reported successful in engagements during the past few years, and to have inflicted 40 casualties, including a Japanese colonel.

Chinese government officials at Nanking denied they intended to sever diplomatic relations with Japan.

## Struck By Auto, Small Boy Dies

**Cecil Brazell, Eight, of Morrilton, Suffers Fatal Injury**

MORRILTON, S. C.—A small boy, Cecil Brazell, aged 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Brazell of Morrilton, suffered a fractured skull and died in a local hospital about 1 Monday afternoon.

Young, aged 19, was released by Coroner Frank Reid. A witness of the accident, O. C. Alexander of the Alexander Film Co., Colorado Springs, said it was unavoidable and that the car was not being driven at a rapid rate of speed. He reported that the boy's sister, Mildred, 10, was with him. She stopped on the side of the railroad park, about 50 feet west of the intersection of Railroad avenue and East street and Mr. Alexander said he heard the girl warn her brother not to cross the street until the cars passed. Disregarding the warning, Cecil started running across. He was watching a truck approaching from an opposite direction and did not see the automobile that struck him.

The child was knocked to the pavement, suffering a fracture at the base of the skull and on the side of his head. He died about 30 minutes later without regaining consciousness.

The automobile which struck the child belonged to B. Young of Fort Smith, an uncle of Lowell Young.

Mr. Brazell, father of the victim, is an employee of the pipe line company of the Arkansas Natural Gas company here. Besides his parents, the boy is survived by one sister and a brother.

## Boy Is Seriously Hurt When Struck by Motor

MORRILTON, Ark.—(AP)—While walking to school Monday, Cecil Brazell, 7, was struck by an automobile and injured, probably fatally.

The child, witnesses said, was looking in the opposite direction to the approach of the automobile driven by Lowell Young, 19. The car struck the child, fracturing his skull. He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Brazell.

## FLAPPER FANNY SAYS:

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## Quorum Court Is Called Jan. 15 by Judge Higgason

**Judge Complies With Circuit Court Order of December 19th**

**CITY COURT, ISSUE**  
Justices Recalled Because They Weren't Advised of State Law

County Judge L. F. Higgason has summoned a special session of the Hempstead Quorum Court at Washington Friday, January 15, to reconsider the rejected appropriation for the Hope Municipal Court.

The county judge, was compelled to call the special session when Circuit Judge Dexter Bush handed down a decision December 19 that the state law made support of the municipal court mandatory upon the county.

Judge Bush gave Judge Higgason until January 20 to comply with the order, and the special session has been called with five days to spare.

When the municipal court appropriation was under discussion at the regular session of the quorum court last November, Judge Higgason was non-committal as to whether state law required its passage or not, failing to answer a question put to him by one of the justices. The quorum court then turned the appropriation down by a vote of 13 to 11.

Municipal Judge U. A. Gentry followed this action by entering suit in circuit court for his salary, winning a court order December 19.

Under the state law, the municipal court replaces justice of the peace courts in DeWitt township only, and city and county share alike in the expense of the new court. Costs and other expenses are divided according to whether the prosecution is brought by city or county officers; and the court has been extensively used during the three months of its existence.

As state law allows members of the quorum court \$5 for every day or fraction thereof spent on county business, the 32 justices will be entitled to a total of \$160, plus the legal cost of notifying them of the session. The entire cost of the extra session may run close to \$300, it is believed.

## Flood Refugees Return to Homes

**Hundreds in Tallahatchie Area Begin Rehabilitation of Farms**

GLENDORA, Miss.—(AP)—The seat of flood operations in the Tallahatchie river valley Monday was transferred from the Tallahatchie-Quitman-Panola county inundation south into the LeFlore county where two main points were claiming attention.

Laborers were concentrating on the Wade plantation on the Tallahatchie river a few miles south of Minter City and the Yalobusha river levee at Whaley, about 12 miles northeast of Greenwood.

There was also a new overflow from backwaters at Swifton in extreme southwest of LeFlore county, but the situation at no point was described as critical.

Hundreds of refugees in the lowlands of the upper counties, principally in Tippecanoe where they fled the levee crevasse near Sharkey, have returned to their homes for rehabilitation.

## Johnson Urged to Become Candidate

**North Dakota Senator Invite Californian to Enter State's Primary**

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Republican opponents of President Hoover came forward Monday with a request that Hiram Johnson of California enter the presidential race.

North Dakota's two Republican senators, Nye and Frazier, urged Senator Johnson to enter their state's presidential primary March 15. The Californian, who campaigned in 1920 and 1924 for the presidency, gave no answer.

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## Boys "Confess" Burning Eight



Here are the two youths who Gallipolis, Ohio, authorities say have confessed to the burning of the log cabin of James White, 40, near Gallipolis last spring, resulting in the death of White and seven of his eight children. The boys, Albert Reymier, left, and Ellsworth Mowyer, are inmates of the Boys' Industrial School at Lancaster, Ohio. Officers refused to place full belief in the boys' story pending further investigation. Albert is 15 and Ellsworth 17.

## Congressmen Aid Anti-Prohi Cause

**Clancy and Karch Discuss Issue Before Senate Committee**

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Representative Clancy of Michigan, and Representative Karch of Illinois, went to the senate side of the Capitol Tuesday to testify before a committee in favor of prohibition modification.

Clancy expressed himself in favor of some form of the Canadian control system, while Karch favored retail distribution of beer.

## Mother of Two Officials Dead

**Mrs. Nancy Blackwood Sawyer, 83, Succumbs at Osceola**

OSCEOLA.—Mrs. Nancy Blackwood Sawyer, aged 83, mother of Dwight H. Blackwood, chairman of the state Highway Commission, and of Mrs. Belva Martin, state land commissioner, died at her home in Osceola at 11:30 Monday night. She had been in ill health for several months, but her condition did not become critical until Saturday, when relatives were summoned.

She was born at Columbia, Tenn., March 11, 1849, the daughter of Bird S. and Martha Ann Dyer Hale. She was a sister of the late W. P. Hale and F. B. Hale, well known planters and cotton dealers of Osceola.

She was six years old when her family moved to Mississippi county. She is the last member of the original Hale family of 11 children who came here in an ox wagon with their widowed mother before the Civil war.

She was married May 13, 1864, to John Oscar Blackwood of Jackson county, who later became a well known member of the Osceola bar and who was owner and editor of the county's first newspaper, "The Osceola Times."

Mr. Blackwood died in 1889, and in 1898 she was married to E. L. Sawyer who died in 1906.

Twelve children were born to the first union, and seven of them survive, as follows: Dwight H. Blackwood, Mrs. Martin and John O. Blackwood, all of Little Rock; Mrs. J. L. Williams and Mrs. W. L. Moore of Osceola, Mrs. Lula Boyles of Blytheville, and Mrs. M. T. Olds of Paris, Tenn.

## Wounded Gravely By Robbed Aged 14

**W. E. Haley, Poplar Bluff Filling Station Operator, Near Death**

POPLAR BLUFF, Mo.—W. E. Haley, aged 58, filling station owner is near death with a bullet in his right lung, and Estle Austill, 14, is in jail pending outcome of the man's injuries, as result of the boy attempting to hold Haley up at his oil station late Monday night.

Haley resisted and in the struggle for possession of the gun was shot against Hoover—a battle that would center in the primary of California, home state of the two.

## Wounded Fatally In Desperate Fight

**Walter Bryson of Near Dumas Succumbs to Knife Wounds**

DUMAS.—Kim Rich, farmer and timber man, stabbed and fatally wounded Walter Bryson, aged 25, in a desperate hand-to-hand fight at their timber camp several miles east of Dumas Sunday night. Rich came to Dumas and surrendered.

Rich said that about a week ago Bryson returned to camp drunk and beat him.

Rich said that Bryson, again drunk, came to the camp Sunday night and attacked him again. He said that Bryson threw him down and was beating him unmercifully when he succeeded in freeing himself and ran. He said that Bryson overtook him and seized him again. It was not until then, Rich said, that he stabbed his assailant. Bryson died three hours later.

## Oliver W. Holmes, of Supreme Court, Resigns Tuesday

**Aged Justice, 91, Long a Bulwark of Liberal Opinion**

**HEALTH IS FAILING**  
Was Appointed to Bench by President Roosevelt 30 Years Ago

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—Oliver Wendell Holmes, associate justice of the United States Supreme Court and son of the noted poet, resigned Tuesday.

President Hoover accepted his resignation, which was made in a letter dated Tuesday, stating that the condition of the aged justice's health made the move necessary.

Justice Holmes will be 91 on March 8. Mr. Holmes told the president, "The time has come when I must bow to the inevitable."

He had hoped to be on the bench on his birthday.

He rendered his last decision Monday. Justice Holmes had been continuously identified with the liberal group of justices in important decisions. He was elevated to the supreme court by President Roosevelt in December, 1902.

Of late years his health has been failing, and his condition became more acute, foreshadowing the end of a long and active career.

He served during the Civil war and was wounded three times seriously.

## Chicago Educator To Speak in Hope

**Dr. Caroline Hedger Will Appear Before P. T. A. Council April 21**

The city council of the Arkansas Extension of Teachers and Teachers' Guild have as its speaker, Dr. Caroline Hedger of the Elizabeth McCormick Memorial Fund of Chicago, in Hope on April 21, it was announced Tuesday.

Dr. Hedger is one of the foremost mental hygienists in America today, and it is a distinct privilege to the city that the council has been able to arrange her visit here.

Dr. Hedger is an expert in adolescent childhood and has gone all over the United States on invitation from various organizations which are making a study of this. A unique character in every respect, she speaks as an authority on parent education with force and understanding.

She is brought to Arkansas through the efforts of Hope and Texarkana city councils and Mississippi county council. She will also be a speaker at the meeting of District No. 9 on April 22.

## Goodwin Resident Injured Fatally

**Jesse B. Wooten Struck by Auto After Jumping From Wagon**

FORREST CITY.—Jesse B. Wooten of Goodwin was injured fatally Sunday night when struck by an automobile driven by W. C. Linstone, California tourist, as he jumped from a wagon and stepped in front of the approaching car. He died en route to a Memphis hospital.

The wagon was driven by Bass Powell and had stopped in front of Wooten's home, one-half mile east of Goodwin. Coroner Max Sulzer said Wooten evidently did not see the car behind because of high sideboards on the wagon. A coroner's jury decided the accident was unavoidable.

Wooten is survived by his wife, a small son, and two brothers, Will and Hardy Wooten of near Goodwin.

## Three Sentenced For P. O. Robbery

**Plead Guilty to Burglary of Allene, Arkansas Post Office**

ASHDOWN, Ark.—Three of four men charged with burglary and grand larceny in connection with the looting of the Allene post office about a month ago pleaded guilty in Little River circuit court here Monday and were given three-year sentences in the penitentiary.

They were Hoyt Thigpen, C. L. Whitney and Woodrow Grigsby. The fourth man charged, Jody Morris, entered a plea of not guilty and his trial was set for Tuesday.

## First Baby Born in New Local Hospital

The first baby born in the new Little Chester hospital on South Main street is little Jeanne Autumn Hiler, who arrived Saturday, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hiler, of the Fruit & Truck Experiment Farm.

## Railway Consolidation Effects to Be Studied

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—The indirect effects of railroad consolidation upon employment and dependent communities, will be studied shortly by a senate committee together with problems developed by expansion of bus lines and other new forms of transport.

## Only 52 Ballots Cast in Hope up to 1:30 Tuesday

**Depression Noted in Ouachita Marriages**

CAMDEN, Ark.—The depression certainly hit the marriage business in Ouachita county during 1931, according to County Clerk J. T. Wood, who has just announced the figures for the past year.

There were 303 couples in the county to secure licenses to wed in 1931 as compared with 388 in 1930 and 486 in 1929. Of the 303 couples buying licenses last year 186 were whites and 115 were negroes. In 1930, 241 white couples and 145 negroes were married. Figures are not supposed to be and therefore June, which is supposed to be the marrying month, has lost its appeal in Ouachita county. Only 22 couples marched down the aisle in that month. This was the third lowest month of the year.

## House Delays On Refinancing Bill

**Holds Up Senate Measure for One of Its Own Making**

WASHINGTON.—(AP)—The house received the senate's freshly-passed reconstruction bill Tuesday, but ignored it and went ahead with a measure that originated in the house committee.

The difference between the two measures undoubtedly will have to be composed at a conference.

The house had hoped to dispose of the measure by Thursday.

## Extension Workers Open Conference

**Fifty Attending Two-Day Agricultural Meeting at Fayetteville**

FAYETTEVILLE.—"Straight thinking and good old-fashioned hard work" are the only means for success in times like the present, Dan T. Gray, dean of the University of Arkansas College of Agriculture, said at the opening session of the district conference of agricultural extension workers Monday morning. The meeting is a two-day event with about 50 attending.

A program for the rural sections during 1932 is the general theme of the meeting. T. Ray Reid, assistant director in charge of agricultural extension, stressed fundamentals and the long-time viewpoint. Miss Connie J. Bonstegel, state home demonstration agent, urged that present standards of living on farms of the state must not be sacrificed or overlooked in extending a program of food, clothing and shelter.

W. J. Jernigan, state club agent, talked of the 1932 4-H club program. Agricultural adjustments of 1932, with a review of past accomplishments, as well as a look into the future, were dealt with in the group sessions of the county farm agents and the home demonstration agents. The workers, besides taking part in the general programs and making reports, are meeting with those two divisions at intervals during the conference.

## Reunion of Mother and Daughter Told

**Separated 17 Years Ago, Believe One Another Are Dead**

HARRISON.—A mother and daughter, the latter aged 17, who were separated when the daughter was several months old, were reunited for the first time here Monday as the result of efforts to establish a claim for \$1,500 government compensation for the daughter, following the death of her father, a World war veteran. Until a few days ago each had believed the other dead.

The daughter is Mrs. Lena Mae Taylor Marks of Lead Hill, near Harrison. Her father, the late Edward Taylor, and the girl's mother became estranged in 1915 and Mrs. Taylor went to Missouri. Taylor enlisted in the army when the United States entered the war, went overseas and died in 1919 from disabilities received in service. The daughter remained with her grandparents at Lead Hill.

Several years ago it was reported to the daughter that her mother was dead and more than a year ago she hired a Harrison attorney to assist her in establishing her claim for government compensation. To be eligible it became necessary to obtain proof that the mother was dead or had remarried. The lawyer traced the mother's movements to Miami, Okla., but there the trail was lost. He appealed to the Miami post of the American Legion for help and that organization last week located the mother at Wewoka, Okla. She had remarried and now is Mrs. Frank Newsom. She said she was told several years ago that her baby had died.

## J. W. Blythe Joins Ward's Drugstore

**DeWitt Druggist Moves to Hope, Joining Frank Ward**

J. W. Blythe, formerly of DeWitt, Ark., arrived in Hope last week to accept a position at Ward & Son's drug store as prescription clerk and assistant to Frank Ward, proprietor. He fills the position left vacant when "Buck" Shell resigned January 1 to open a new drugstore in Prescott.

Mr. Blythe has been in the drug business for many years and comes to Hope with high recommendations from the people in DeWitt. He was an active community worker there, and expects to take the same interest here, as soon as school is out next May, his family will remove from DeWitt to join Mr. Blythe here.

## Consolidation of Schools Perfected

**Only Two Districts in Area Remain Outside DeQueen Special**

DEQUEEN, Ark.—The petition for the dissolution of Finney school district No. 10 and consolidation with the DeQueen school district No. 17 has been granted by the county board of education. The petition was signed by the directors of the DeQueen district and 30 qualified voters of the Finney district.

Since last June, seven districts adjacent to DeQueen have been added to the DeQueen school district. Only two small districts now remain to complete the plan of consolidation in the DeQueen area. These probably will be annexed to the DeQueen school before the beginning of school next year, County Superintendent Byron Goodson says.

## Ed VanSickle Goes to Father's Funeral

Ed VanSickle, of the Hempstead county sheriff's office, left Hope Sunday night for Emporia, Kan., to attend the funeral of his father, E. B. VanSickle, who died there at the age of 78.



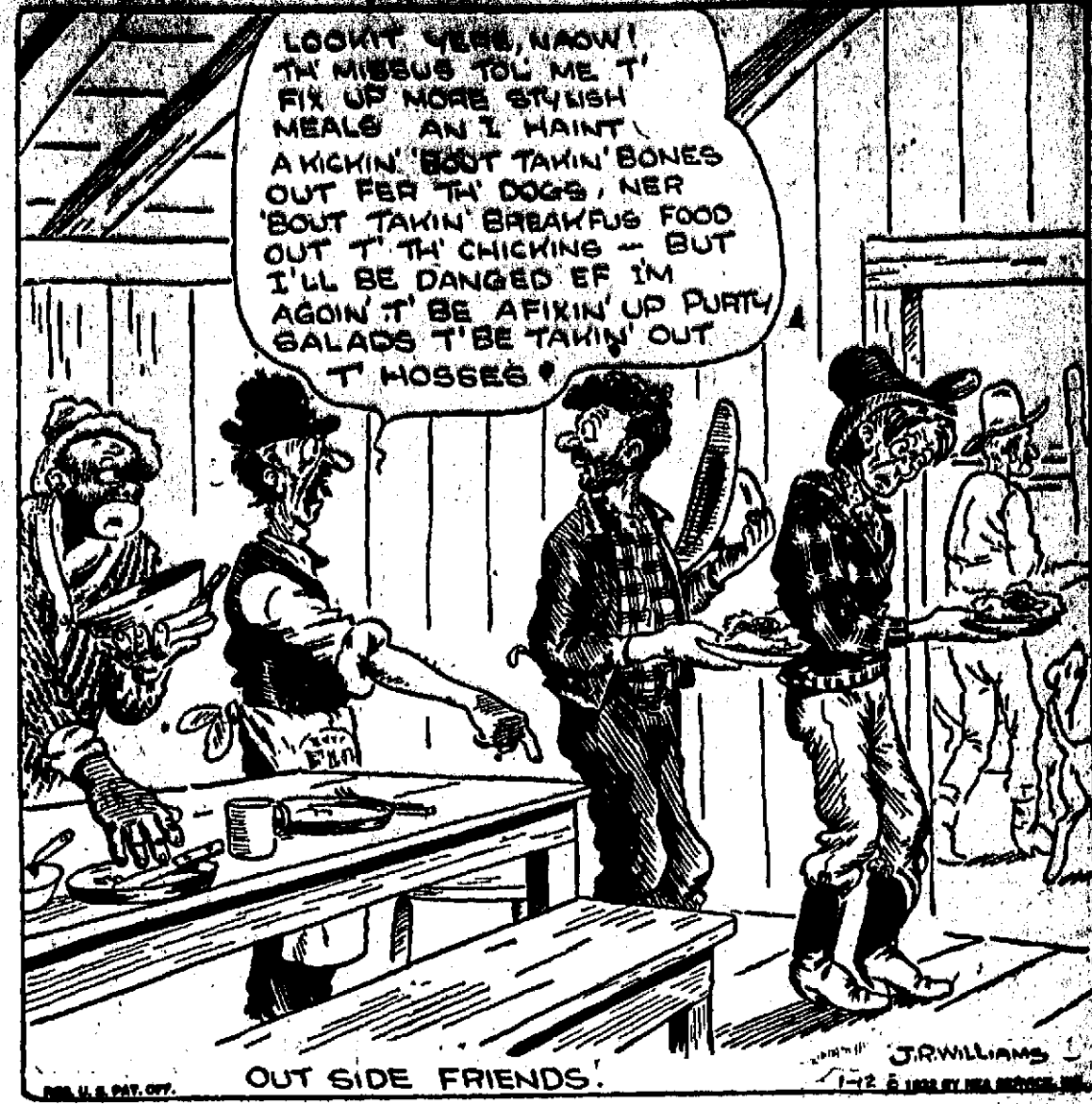




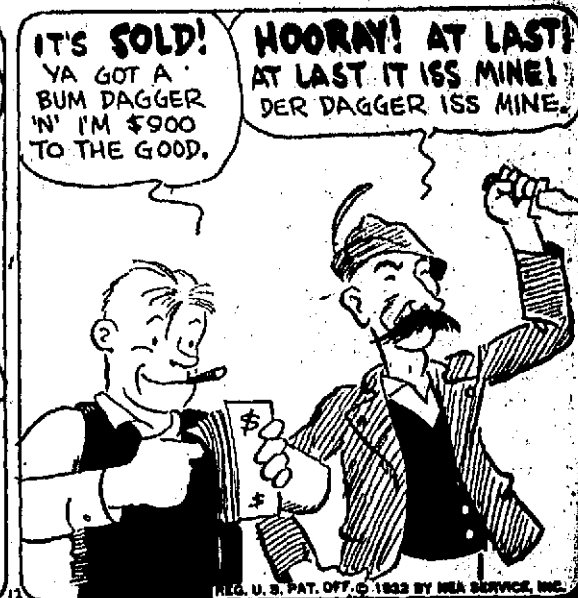




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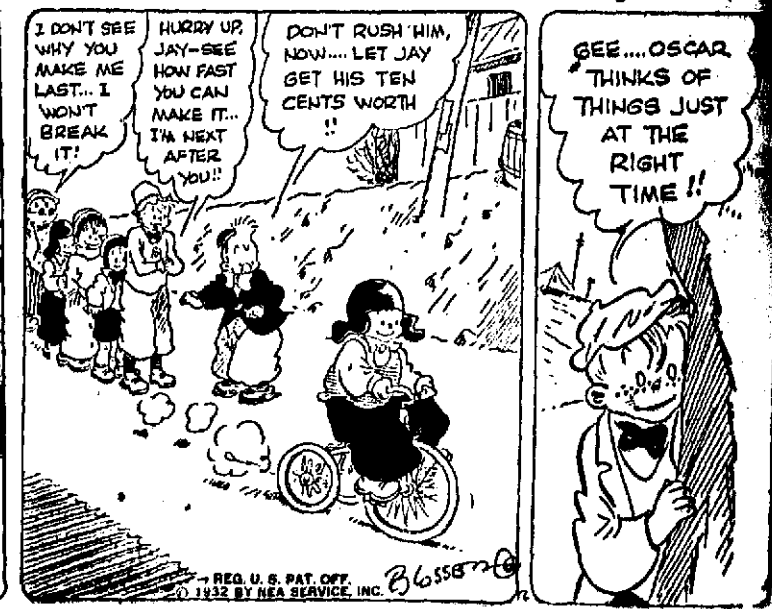
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